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Four fees may be added to bills

by Mike Laberge
Staff Writer

University of Maine students may find an additional \$95 tacked on to their fall semester bills if four proposed mandatory fees are adopted.

The mandatory fees proposed for all full-time students include an arts fee, a health fee, a student union fee, and an athletic fee.

Dwight Rideout, dean of Student Services, said the purpose behind making the fees mandatory is to free up money the administration now uses to support these programs.

"What President Lick is saying is that the source of funds for these programs is changing," Rideout said.

At this time, the administration spends \$167,000 annually to support the union building.

Under the new plan, each full-time student would be required to pay a \$15 student union fee per semester.

David Rand, Memorial Union director, said with about 8,500 students paying \$15 per semester the fee would raise to \$255,000 annually.

With the union building supported by this money, the administration would be able to put the \$167,000 it now spends on union programs into a general education fund, Rand said.

Rideout said money from this fund would be used for such things as equipping the Fogler Library with more books and journals, giving more money to student aid, and hiring new professors.

"It frees up money for the president to spend on academic programs," Rideout said.

Rand said the additional \$88,000 he would receive would allow the union to cover its costs and have money to fund other programs.

"What we have been able to do has been restricted because of money," he said. "We just need a few more dollars to work with."

Rand said \$193,000 of the money would be used to cover such costs as salaries and replacing old furniture in some of the lounges.

The remaining \$62,000 would then help fund additional dances, films, and other social events, he said.

"We are limited in what we can do at the present time. We don't have a lot of discretionary dollars," he said.

In addition to the union fee, the current optional health fee of \$40 per semester would become mandatory for full-time students.

Betsy Allin, acting director of Cutler Health Center, said the idea of making the health fee mandatory for full-time students was generated by the administration.

"The enrollment at this school has drastically decreased and is making it increasingly difficult for us to plan ahead," she said.

The fee would be about \$80 per year, she said, and would generate \$680,000 for the center.

Like the student union fee, the mandatory health fee would allow the administration to place the \$250,000 it now spends to support the center into the general education fund.

Under the proposed mandatory athletic fee, all students registered for nine or more credits would be required to pay \$30 each semester.

The fee would replace the current all-sports pass, which is optional and costs students \$40 a year.

But like the pass, the fee would allow students to attend home games without buying tickets on a game-to-game basis.

Rideout said at this time about \$2 million of the general education budget goes into athletics.

By implementing a mandatory athletic fee, Lick hopes to put some of this money toward educational purposes, Rideout said.

If the proposed mandatory arts fee is adopted, each full-time student would be required to pay \$10 each semester.

The fee would allow each student free admission to all music department and theater presentations.

It also would give students free admission to up to six events other than major concerts in the Maine Center for the Arts.

Rideout said Joel Katz, executive director of the center, is seeking the \$10 per student fee to give him a bigger

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Asbestos found in Lord

by Jennifer Girt
Staff Writer

A water leak led to the discovery of asbestos in the basement of Lord Hall Friday, Jan. 30.

The Daily Maine Campus offices were closed until the hazardous material could be removed.

Ray Thomas of the Department of Environmental Safety said the asbestos, used to insulate steam pipes, must be removed, sealed in a glove bag, and disposed of in an approved landfill.

"We now remove the asbestos from (its location) and a company comes in and takes the asbestos to the landfill area," Thomas said.

Sawyer Environmental Recovery Facilities, Inc. in Hampden is the only approved site in Maine for the storage of asbestos waste, Thomas said.

Alden Stuart, vice president for Administrative Services, said the removed asbestos is wrapped wet and in plastic before it is buried.

Thomas Cole, director of Facilities Management, said with the exception of one new building on campus, all have asbestos in one form or another.

He said 95 percent of the buildings have the noncombustible mineral because prior to 1977 the United States had no laws governing the use of the material.

"I don't think the awareness hit the U.S. until then," he added. Long-term exposure to asbestos fibers or dust can cause cancer and other respiratory diseases.

"The material becomes hazardous when it becomes airborne," Cole said. Water damage or other disruptions must cause the material to become friable — in a free and crumbled form — for it to take on dangerous properties.

"Even though there is a lot of asbestos, there is not enough to be dangerous. Nothing that even approaches it for that matter," Cole said.

Stuart said an assessment of the buildings on campus has been in progress for a year to determine the amounts of asbestos in them.

"We're having all of the asbestos assessed. We're finding out where it is, what type it is, and what condition it's in," he said.

The removal will be prioritized and two new technicians, Jay Covell and William Byrum, will be in charge of removing it on a full time basis, he said.

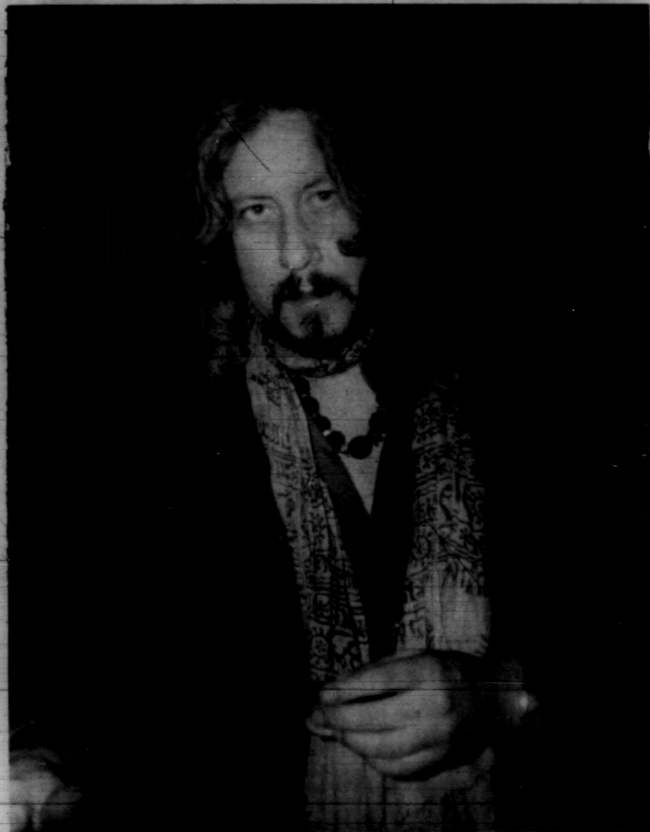
"We're waiting until it is complete to establish the priorities," Stuart said.

He did not have specific dollar figures available but he said \$500,000 had been allotted system-wide through the most recent bond issue.

These funds will be used to pay the two technicians and establish a testing laboratory here on campus.

"We had to discontinue the assessment because we ran out of money," Stuart said, "but we're going to pick back up because two of our own men are being trained to test the materials themselves."

David Fielder, chief of the Department of Environmental Safety, and Peter Norton are going to school in Chicago this week to be trained in the identification of asbestos fibers.



Guthrie packs Hutchins

by John Robinson
Volunteer Writer

Arlo Guthrie, folk singer and amateur political satirist, performed Tuesday night before a capacity crowd of close to 1,630.

Regardless of the sixties "stigma" that inevitably follows Guthrie wherever he travels, the attendance didn't seem to reflect that sentiment. Hutchins Concert Hall, a part of the Maine Center for the Arts, was packed to the rafters with folks ranging in age from seven to sixty-seven. And they couldn't get enough.

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Season of colds and flu upon us

by Christina Baldwin
Staff Writer

With the season of colds upon students and faculty, Betsy Allin, acting director of the Cutler Health Center, said the university has not been hit hard by sickness.

"Overall, we have had the normal number of cases of just about everything," she said.

Allin said there have been no definite cases of influenza (flu) reported this semester and that the tests sent to the lab to determine influenza have all come back negative.

"There is a virus going around that mimics the flu," she said, "namely, muscle aches, headaches, fatigue, and swollen glands."

Allin said there were a few more reported cases of the flu but overall the numbers are still consistent with those reported last year.

Strep throat, caused by the streptococcus bacteria, has not made much of a showing, Allin said.

"In the springtime we may have a peak of cases. Strep is usually more prominent in the fall and in the late spring," she said.

Mononucleosis, a viral infection that manifests itself in the lymph node system, is also an infection that hasn't been reported by many students.

"Students usually have a minor case of mononucleosis and do not think anything of it," Allin said. "It usually goes away quickly."

Symptoms for mononucleosis include fatigue, swollen lymph nodes at certain points in the body like the groin area, and sore throats, Allin said. Headaches may also be symptoms.

"A swollen or enlarged spleen is also a symptom but is not all that common," she said. "If the spleen is

enlarged then the student must be sure not to bump that area and must avoid strain. Stay away from contact sports and weightlifting."

Allin said that mono isn't really as contagious as people think.

"Someone in the same physical condition the person with mono is in would be more apt to get the virus," she said. "But many people have been exposed to the virus and because of their good health have not caught it."

Allin said that many people do treat their own illnesses.

"It all depends on the student's family upbringing," she said. "If they have always gone to the doctor when they are ill, they will be more inclined to go to the doctor again. If the student was taught to doctor (him or herself) than go to the doctor, then that is what they will do."

She said many students come in in the afternoons to be treated and this causes congestion. She said it may be wiser to come in in the morning when the doctor can spend more time with patients.

Sharon Cole, manager of the Memorial Union bookstore, said there have been no noticeable increases in the purchase of medicinal products.

"We sell a fair amount of medicine, but not more than usual this time of year," she said. "Somebody always has a cold."

BLOOM COUNTY

by Berke Breathed



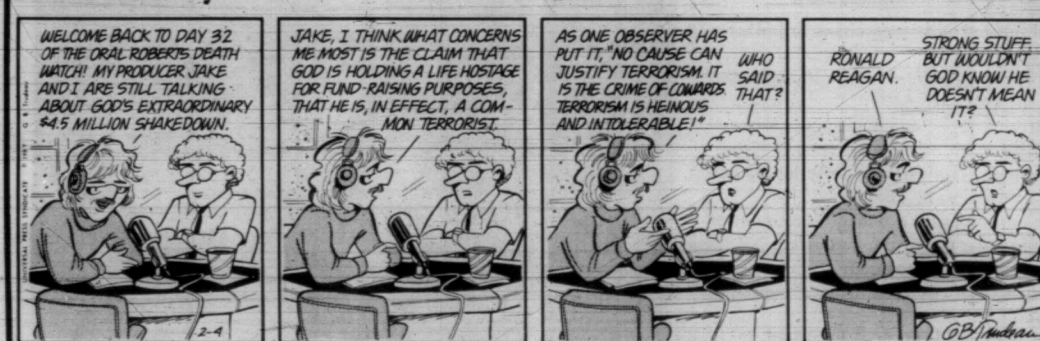
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False alarms costly and dangerous

by Michael Di Cicco
Staff Writer

It is 3:30 on a frigid Saturday morning, you are sound asleep in your dormitory room.

Suddenly, the fire alarm goes off. Quickly, you throw on some clothes and tramp outside into the arctic Maine winter.

It's a false alarm. You are cold and tired.

You are not pleased. According to Ray Thomas, the University of Maine assistant fire chief,

this is an all too common occurrence. "Last year we had 61 malicious false fire alarms," Thomas said.

A malicious false alarm is an alarm that is set off intentionally, he said.

Thomas said that he wasn't sure if there had been an increase this year or not.

"The thing that worries me is what would happen if we got a false alarm and then a real fire started somewhere else.

"We've got guys traveling in from home in the snow and on icy roads at all times of the night for false alarms," Thomas said. "It's just not a good situation."

Most of the false alarms occur late on weekend nights, Thomas said.

Charlie Dyer, a UMaine junior who lives in Cumberland Hall, said there have been several false alarms in Cumberland this year.

"I have better things to do at 2 a.m. than throw on my clothes and go out in sub-zero weather for a false alarm," he said.

Each false alarm costs approximately \$150, Thomas said.

"If we can find the person who pulled the alarm then they pay for it, but if not then the dorm floor or section pays," he said.

"It makes me angry when someone sets off a false alarm. It's very unnecessary and the people who do it usually don't get caught," said Edith Burbo, resident director of York Hall.

Vincent Marzilli, the R.D. for Dunn Hall, said his dorm doesn't have a real problem with false fire alarms.

He said the dorm was subject to only two false alarms last semester, and only one of those was deliberate.

"Sometimes the wind will set an alarm off. They're very sensitive and I view that as a good thing," he said.

• Fees

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budget for attracting more events to the center.

To provide student input for these proposed fees, a Mandatory Fee Budgetary Committee was formed last semester.

David Mitchell, president of student government, said, "The whole purpose behind the committee is to act as a focal point for student representation on mandatory fees."

Mitchell said the committee is composed of 15 students, three faculty members, and several administrators.

The students on the committee include the president and treasurer of the Off-Campus Board, the Interdormitory Board, the Panhellenic Council, the UMaine Fraternity Board, and Student Entertainment & Activities as well as the members of the student government cabinet.

Two students from the general student body were elected to the committee as well, Mitchell said.

The administrators include Rideout, Allin, Rand, Katz, Stu-Haskell, the UMaine athletic director, and Thomas Aceto, vice president for Student and Administrative Services.

Mitchell said the committee has been meeting each week to work out a compromise between students and the administration on the issue of the proposed fees.

After the committee has adopted its version of the fees, the proposals will then go to Aceto, who will give his recommendation to Lick.

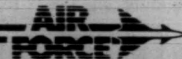
"This committee will be listened to. I think President Lick has confidence that this group is informed and has a working knowledge of the issues," Rideout said.

Following Lick's review of the proposed fees, his recommendation will be sent to Chancellor Robert Woodbury and the UMaine board of trustees, who will vote on the issue later this spring.

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An act to allocate \$1200 to the University Community Craft Center.

An act to fund the Maine Peace Action Committee by an event basis.

An act to establish two senatorial seats for University Colleague Representative.

An act to reinstate funding approval to the Maine Peace Action Committee.

An act to present the views and questions of the students on mandatory fees before the board of trustees.

To voice your opinion come to General Student Senate Tonight!!

Nutting Hall, 6:00 p.m.



Arlo Guthrie played to a capacity audience Tuesday night

(Baer photo)

•Guthrie

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Guthrie appeared on stage promptly at 8 p.m. in full garb, from his faded jeans to his purple silk scarf to his past-shoulder-length hair.

The stage was set as well. Soft lights complemented the surroundings and the sound equipment was by no means overpowering.

The group was composed of Guthrie on lead vocals, acoustic guitar, and keyboards, Velika on bass, Alaberry on drums, and Williams on guitar and slide guitar. But they didn't sound like that. Together, they formed a rhythm that couldn't be separated into parts.

Opening with "Do Re Mi," the 1932

classic made famous by his father, the legendary Woody Guthrie, Arlo Guthrie set the pace for the rest of the show.

Commenting on the lyrics of the opener, he spoke of the problems his father had in mind when he originally penned the song, stating that it was "unfortunate they're still relevant."

After one more tune with an underlying political statement, Guthrie went all the way. He told his first story. And it was no holds barred.

He told of how he was watching TV one day and just happened to flip by the C-Span channel by mistake. It turned out to be a congressional hearing dealing with the "war on drugs."

Guthrie said he decided to watch to see "how it would affect me personally." The crowd seemed well aware of Guthrie's drug-spotted past because they all had a good laugh over that one.

But Guthrie reassured them saying, "I've been straight for so long." The crowd had another chuckle. They didn't buy it.

This led into another amusing anecdote of Guthrie's "clouded" past. He wanted to personally thank all the narcs who had ever followed him.

He spoke of a special narc who could stand on a runway and sniff out any drugs on board as a plane passed by — and how he got caught by this guy.

This led nicely into his next tune, "Mr. Customs Man." At this point, Williams, who had been playing slide guitar, switched to a regular electric guitar.

"Gates of Eden," an old Bob Dylan favorite, followed, with Williams switching back once again to the slide guitar.

The next song was written by Terry Alaberry, and the band played it "cause it's his only one."

Here, Guthrie switched to keyboards and complained of a "hippie mom" who was "feeding me granola and other flaky stuff."

Guthrie then went into a story about how he tried to explain to the West Germans that the reason they had our missiles in their backyard was because we didn't want them in ours.

He said later he received a telegram from President Reagan complimenting him on his fine foreign policy articulation. Reagan said, "You explained it so well and so wonderful that I'm beginning to understand."

After a couple more songs, the band broke off for a brief intermission.

Guthrie re-entered with one or two tunes before going out on a limb again. This time he was poking fun at Columbus and the Indians and what a time they must have had with a "giant clam."

This led into "The Story of Reuben Clamso and His Strange Daughter." Here was the first time that Guthrie got the audience to sing along.

They were in full swing with "Inch by Inch, Row by Row" where Guthrie encouraged the whole audience to sing along in order to "save the whole world."

"City of New Orleans" was met with roaring approval as one of Guthrie's all-time classics.

Then, during "This Land is Your Land," he stopped to add one of his father's verses, and then stopped later again for his own abstract reflections.

The show finished with a harmonica-introduced "Amazing Grace," and the band left to a thunderous standing ovation.

The applause proved too much for the group to resist as they returned for an encore to play two more numbers.

When asked about the seemingly wide range of music catered to, Guthrie replied "It's all folk to me. Whatever you can pick up on your own is folk."

He also told the *Maine Campus* that in the future he may only be releasing albums "once every two or three years."

A special hats-off to the Off-Campus Board and Student Entertainment and Activities. Not only did they manage to sell out the standing-room only affair, but they did it all in less than two weeks. In fact, of the 1,629 in attendance, 600 tickets were sold the first day alone.

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World/U.S. News

U.S. warships off Lebanese coast

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — U.S. warships were reported within 50 miles of Lebanon on Tuesday and official sources in Cyprus said civilian aircraft near the ships were ordered by radio to veer off.

The warships of the 6th Fleet were in international waters.

The sources in Cyprus, which lies 100 miles northwest of Beirut, spoke on condition of anonymity.

The United States marshaled a strong battle group in the eastern Mediterranean over the past week in response to rising tensions in the Middle East and following a spate of kidnappings of foreigners in Lebanon.

The kidnappers, and Moslem leaders in Lebanon, warned that any military action by the United States would mean death for the captives.

Pentagon sources stressed in Washington on Tuesday that the U.S. battle groups had received no orders to prepare for any military operation.

The sources, who demanded anonymity, said the carriers Kennedy and Nimitz and a Mediterranean Amphibious Ready Group of roughly 1,900 Marines were steaming on a "routine patrol pattern" in the southeastern Mediterranean, south of Cyprus and relatively close to Lebanon.

The force consists of about 22 warships, and 1,900 more Marines were moved out of Spain on Tuesday to join the battle fleet.

Also Tuesday, Iran's Foreign Ministry denied reports that Anglican Church hostage negotiator Terry Waite was held by Iranian Revolutionary Guards in Lebanon.

The fate of Waite, 47, remained a mystery. The 6-foot-7 emissary has not been seen since he left his hotel in Moslem west Beirut on Jan. 20, apparently for a meeting with the Shiite Moslem kidnappers of two Americans held since 1985.

Lebanon's justice minister, Nabih Berri, said in Damascus, Syria, on Monday that Waite had been "arrested" by the kidnappers. He did not elaborate.

Unconfirmed reports said last week that Waite was spotted in Lebanon's Bekaa Valley, a Shiite stronghold and a base for about 400 Iranian Revolutionary Guards.

Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency, monitored in Nicosia, quoted a Foreign Ministry spokesman in Tehran as denying a U.S. news media report that Waite was in the hands of the Revolutionary Guards in the Bekaa.

The spokesman said the report was "fabricated by imperialist news media" and stressed that Iran never sanctioned kidnapping foreigners in Lebanon.

The two Americans Waite seeks to free—Terry Anderson, 39, chief Middle East correspondent for the Associated Press, and educator Thomas Sutherland, 55 — are held by Islamic Jihad. The

group is believed made up of Shiite fundamentalists loyal to Iran.

Altogether, 26 foreigners are now missing in Lebanon and presumed kidnapped, including eight Americans.

A general strike called to protest the abductions of foreigners paralyzed west Beirut on Tuesday. Hundreds of students marched in the rain, chanting and waving placards to protest the Jan. 24 kidnapping of four teachers. The men, three Americans and an Indian, were taken from the campus of Beirut University College by gunmen posing as police.

Banks, schools, restaurants, shops and other businesses closed in response to the strike call by the college's student council.

"You (captors) have gone too far! It's too much!," the demonstrators chanted as they marched through west Beirut. "Stop kidnapping! We need education!," they shouted.

Liberace in coma and near death

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP) Liberace lapsed into a coma Tuesday, and a priest was called to prepare for last rites as family and friends kept a vigil at the pianist's desert home, his lawyer said.

Fans had lighted candles on the curbstone outside the 67-year-old star's home Monday night and remained gathered outside Tuesday.

"His pulse has gotten weaker, and his breathing has gotten more labored," attorney Joel Strote said outside the house during a news briefing Tuesday evening. "He can't swallow."

"He is comatose," Strote said. "...He is very pale but obviously resting very comfortably. He's not in any pain and basically his family is here — his sister, his deceased brother's wife Laura, his sister's daughter, and her husband."

Asked how long he might survive, Strote said, "It's hard to estimate, but obviously it's not going to be long."

Strote said there were no plans to hospitalize Liberace because "there is really nothing that could be done for him in a hospital, and it was his desire to rest comfortably at home."

A nurse also is inside the house and is in periodic contact with his physician, Dr. Ron Daniels of Whittier, Strote said, adding that Daniels had visited his patient earlier in the day.

Strote had said Liberace was con-

scious earlier Tuesday, but said he wasn't sure at what point during the day the musician lapsed into a coma.

Asked if a priest had been to the house, Strote said one had been contacted but not yet summoned.



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Congress may see Reagan diary

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan had two recent precedents to follow in the matter of his personal diaries and he chose cooperation rather than confrontation.

Richard M. Nixon waged a historic and losing battle to keep his White House tapes from the special prosecutor investigating Watergate.

The scandal that toppled Nixon remains a vivid memory and the Iran-Contra affair often is compared to Watergate.

But when the White House disclosed that Reagan kept diaries that might include his comments on the decision to sell arms to Iran, the president was quick to avoid the Nixon precedent. Instead he opted to follow the example set by Jimmy Carter.

The 1980 presidential campaign was under way when Carter's brother Billy came under investigation for his dealings with Libya. Inevitably the question arose

whether Billy had benefitted from any White House involvement.

Carter pledged to cooperate with the investigation and turned over his personal diaries.

The material disclosed no improper activity by the president. Included were references to Carter's concerns over his brother's refusal to register with the Justice Department as a foreign agent.

But release of the diaries and other material failed to quell the demands for still more material.

Despite pledges of full disclosure, demands for information about the internal working of the White House have a way of becoming insatiable and Reagan could yet find himself under attack for lack of cooperation.

That's what happened to Carter.

Shortly before Election Day 1980, the Democratic president was criticized by the internal investigations unit of his Justice Department for being

"remarkably uncooperative" in its investigation of Billy Carter.

Months after Carter had been replaced in the White House by Reagan, the Justice Department issued its final report which concluded that there had been no illegal activity by any government officials.

When the existence of the Reagan diaries became known, the first reaction by a White House spokesman was that "the notes are personal and the White House believes that to release them would infringe on the privacy of the president and others."

But Reagan apparently overruled that view and on Monday a new announcement came from the White House.

Members of Congress were already saying they wanted to get a look at the Reagan diaries.

"I doubt very much any court would uphold a congressional subpoena for them," said Richard Ben-Veniste, who

was one of the Watergate prosecutors who battled Nixon to obtain access to the Watergate tapes.

"Using the Watergate precedent, one would consider the possibility that a grand jury acting under the auspices of the independent counsel would have the authority if it were shown that these were relevant," he added.

The Senate Watergate Committee never got the tapes from the Nixon White House. But the special prosecutor successfully subpoenaed nine tapes because that office was able to demonstrate it had evidence the break-in and cover-up were discussed on those occasions.

There is no comparable evidence about the Reagan diaries.

But even though he probably could have won a court challenge, Reagan chose to maintain the politically-wiser course of cooperating.

Skier hurts back in fall from gondola

CARRABASSETT VALLEY, Maine (AP) — A skier from Massachusetts injured his back when he fell 20 feet from a swinging gondola Tuesday after a lift cable slipped off its supports at Sugarloaf USA, a spokesperson for the resort said.

The skier, who was not immediately identified, was admitted to Franklin Memorial Hospital in Farmington with a fractured spine. A second skier also from Massachusetts, who suffered rib injuries inside the same gondola, was still being examined in mid-afternoon, a hospital spokesperson said.

Sugarloaf spokesperson Chip Carey said 21 cars, carrying about 60 skiers,

were evacuated after the 10 a.m. accident.

Carey said both the upward and downward sides of the cable that transports the gondolas suddenly slackened when another cable, which anchors a giant pulley at the base of the mountain, snapped. The pulley, which is held in place by a dangling, 12-ton concrete counterweight, jerked forward 15 feet when the cable broke.

The cable that pulls the gondolas slipped off its path on the two lowest support towers of the 9,000-foot lift. On the downward side, the cable fell to the snow, carrying an unoccupied gondola car with it, Carey said.

On the upward side, the cable jumped its pulleys but remained hanging from

the towers. The man who injured his back fell out when the door to the car carrying him and three other people was jarred open.

Hospital spokesperson Dennise Whitley and Carey declined to identify either of the injured men and said there was no immediate word on their condition.

Carey said two safety measures worked properly: the lift turned off immediately after the giant wheel travelled several feet, and the wheel stayed on its track. He said it is not clear what made the cable break.

The broken cable to the weight at the base of the mountain will be replaced, Carey said, as well as its counterpart at the peak.

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Health officials recommend tests

ATLANTA (AP) — Federal health officials, worried by an increase in AIDS among heterosexuals, said Tuesday that they may recommend that AIDS blood tests be mandatory for all patients admitted to hospitals and even couples applying for marriage licenses.

The test for antibodies to the AIDS virus now is required only for blood donors.

The federal Centers for Disease Control has invited 250 public health officials to Atlanta for a public hearing to discuss its proposal, said Dr. Walter Dowdle, the CDC's AIDS director.

Those invited to the hearing Feb. 24-25 include members of civil liberties

groups, who may oppose the proposal, Dowdle said.

The CDC will decide after the hearing whether to make a formal proposal about expanded testing for AIDS. Such a recommendation that state hospitals or government agencies make the tests mandatory would not be binding on them, Dowdle said.

"What the meeting is really about is to explore the issues related to using the test to prevent further infection. We're looking for a public forum," Dowdle said in an interview. "We're saying these are the ways the tests might be used. Here are the justifications, here are the obstacles."

One obstacle, he said, could be a concern over confidentiality. Hospitals and government agencies would have to insure that test results remain secret to prevent discrimination against AIDS carriers, he said.

He said the proposal is being considered now because tests for exposure to the AIDS virus have proven highly accurate and because the number of Americans who have contracted AIDS through heterosexual contact has risen from only a few in 1981 to 4 percent of the more than 30,000 confirmed cases now.

Of those confirmed cases, about half have died, according to CDC figures.

"The person who benefits from the test is the individual and the contacts of that individual," Dowdle said.

Dowdle said the CDC is five-year period, Dowdle said, adding that from 1 million to 1.5 million Americans have been exposed to the virus.

Acquired immune deficiency syndrome is an incurable disease transmitted through an exchange of blood clotting agent and intravenous drug abusers who share contaminated needles. In Africa, it is believed to be transmitted primarily through heterosexual contact.

Senate approves 65 speed limit

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate today approved a measure, allowing states to increase speed limits on stretches of rural interstates to 65 mph, a proposal that could slow billions of dollars in federal transportation aid from reaching the states.

The provision, approved by a 65-33 vote, largely pitted lawmakers from western states against their eastern counterparts.

Westerners argued that states with long, straight sections of rural highway should be allowed to increase the current

55 mph speed limit, instituted in 1974. But lawmakers from the East countered that the lower maximum speed limit has saved lives and conserved gasoline.

"I think it has perhaps been valid in certainly fuel consumption and saving of lives," Sen. Alan Simpson, R-Wyo., one of 18 western legislators who co-sponsored the measure, said of the current limit. "But where it doesn't fit at all is to recognize the diversity of the United States of America."

The measure's lead sponsor, Sen. Steven Symms, R-Idaho, said the provi-

sion is "a modest, moderate amendment" because it would allow states to decide their own speed limits on parts of interstates.

The provision is an amendment to a \$52.4 billion, four-year program that would provide aid to the states for roads and bridges. A \$10.8 billion measure that would provide assistance to the nation's mass transit systems was expected to be attached to the highway measure.

Last year, the speed limit provision passed by a 56-36 vote. But House leaders opposed, the increase, and that

dispute was one reason why the 1986 highway bill died in the Senate House conference.

There has been concern that a Senate bill including the speed limit amendment could jeopardize federal aid for roads and mass transit systems from quickly reaching the states.

"I want to get the bill passed, and I want to get it through conference and get it on the president's desk," Senate Majority Leader Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., said before today's vote. "I don't want to see it held up."

House overrides veto to approve clean air act

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House, drawing first blood in the spending battles facing the 100th Congress, voted overwhelmingly today to override President Reagan's veto of popular \$20 billion clean water legislation.

The action, on a 401-26 vote, came shortly after Reagan made a final plea to GOP members to support his position that the public works legislation is too costly.

The vote sent the issue to the Senate, which is scheduled to take its override vote later this week and where even Republican Leader Robert Dole of Kansas all but conceded defeat on the first

major spending question before Congress this year.

House GOP Leader Robert Michel of Illinois urged his Republican colleagues to stand by their president. Michel said that while he had previously voted for the bill, the veto "changes the complexity of the situation."

But the White House got no help from representatives John Paul Hammerschmidt, R-Ark., and Arlan Stangeland, R-Miss., who had been among the Republicans most active in drafting the vetoed bill.

"I believe President Reagan has listened to the wrong advice," Stangeland

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Editorial

Why drink and drive?

Two out of five Americans will be involved in an alcohol-related crash at some point in their lives.

Fifty percent of all traffic fatalities occur in alcohol-related crashes.

More than 20,000 people die every year in alcohol-related accidents.

That's twice the population of Orono.

These shocking figures were issued last August by the National Center for Statistics and Analysis—unfortunate but true.

In response to these facts, a one word question comes to mind—WHY?

When you drink and drive, not only are you endangering your own life, but someone else's as well; maybe a friend's.

Oh yeah, people have given all the same excuses. "I've only had a few," or "I'm perfectly capable of driving."

One line is questionable, "Someone is following me home." Is that why those fortunate people made it home alive?

The drinking and driving penalties are stiff, and they're only going to get worse as the statistics get higher.

No wonder the drinking age is 21.

The governor didn't set this age, we did.

The under-aged group constantly complains that if they're old enough to vote, they're old enough to legally drink.

Wanting to be treated like an adult requires acting like one. Alcohol-related accidents have become the number one killer among young adults today.

It's not like it's an incurable disease. The cause of the illness is stupidity and the cure is so readily available.

This is written to state the facts, not to preach. Leave that to the unspoken mothers of the world.

You can bet mothers really miss the nights their children came home at 2 a.m., and had done "nothing" for half the night and went "no where" on a whole tank of gas.

But at least they came home.

Is it worth the risk? The chance that you may have to spend a weekend in jail, pay an outrageous fine, or worse, have to live with a manslaughter sentence?

The ever-popular slogan "Don't Drink and Drive" wasn't meant to mean "don't drink and drive, because you might hit a bump and spill your drink."

Friends don't let friends drive drunk. It's something to think about.

Monica Wilcox



Michael DiCicco

Iran scammed

Many people are a little confused about all the missing money in the Iran/Contra scandal.

I think I can help clear things up.

A while ago President Reagan came to me and, well, frankly he was quite befuddled.

It seems that someone had mistakenly left a large red beanbag chair on the president's desk.

At first Ron was thrilled (you know how he gets about things like that) but something didn't feel quite right.

The chair kept making this crinkling sound whenever he sat in it.

This bothered the president, and he thought long and hard about it.

Finally he decided to open her up and see if some of the little Styrofoam balls needed adjusting.

He was horrified at what he found inside.

Someone had taken out all those nice little Styrofoam balls and replaced them with big nasty \$100 bills.

Of course the president called me in right away to see what I thought about the situation.

When I arrived, Ron was sitting next to a hill of money, and he had his head buried deep inside the empty beanbag chair.

"Where'd they all go?" he mumbled to himself. "It's just not fair."

After a few minutes of coaxing I persuaded the president to take the bag off of his head and stop pouting.

"We've got to face the problem. What are we going to do with all this cash?" I asked.

"Oh that's easy," Ron said. He grabbed a handful of cash and threw it in his garbage can.

"We can't just throw it away," I gasped.

"Sure we can, we do it all the time around here," he giggled.

"Wait, let's invest it, or donate it to some needy group," I suggested.

"Yeah," Ron said. "We could be heroes just like the Transformers or Pee Wee Herman."

"Let's do something that all America will be proud of us for," he said. "Let's spend the money on a new movie."

Before I could stop him, the president called Sylvester Stallone and commissioned him to write, direct, and star in a new film.

Five minutes later Stallone sent the script over to the White House.

In it he portrays a walking steroid with a split personality.

Half of the time he thinks that he is Rambo and the other half of the time he thinks he's Rocky.

Throughout the movie Stallone beats the hell out of himself while managing to obliterate a small town filled with people who won't pray in school.

It's a touching drama.

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Response

To fund MPAC or not to fund

To the editor

The General Student Senate (GSS) will soon vote on a resolution to restore funding status for the Maine Peace Action Committee. As a graduate student who has benefitted from the quality programs that MPAC brings to campus, I urge all students, faculty and community members to support this resolution.

While I was not a student in 1985-86 the GSS passed a resolution preventing MPAC's funding on the grounds that such funding violated Student Government and University regulations. This interpretation of the Student Government Constitution and University policy is incorrect. MPAC does NOT contribute money to politicians or use student funds for lobbying. These activities, if they were MPAC's (or Student Government's) primary purpose, WOULD violate IRS and University regulations concerning tax-exempt status.

MPAC's primary purpose IS to educate people about non-violent alternatives to human conflict. It is incredibly effective in doing so; thousands of students have experienced MPAC's programs over the years. In fact, it is perhaps the most active, effective and accountable organization that has used student money!

It seems to me that NOT funding MPAC violates at least a sense of fairness in distribution of student money, and even the Constitution itself which states that Student Government is, "To serve the General Student Body of the University of Maine; by providing social, cultural and educational programs and activities to expand the scope of the educational experience; by providing the most effective use of student money and effort; by informing students of issues which are of their concern..."

Given these arguments, it would seem that recent letters to the editor (M.D. Munson, Jan.

27; D.L. Fields, Jan. 28) have argued against MPAC funding purely out of ignorance of MPAC's activities and purposes.

Mr. Fields raises the issue of civil disobedience. (He implies that only faculty write for the MPAC Newsletter. This is absurd because the Newsletter has always been a cooperative venture between students, faculty and community members, which seems to me to be a plus for the University. Out of 36 pieces in the last three issues of the Newsletter, 33 have been written by UM students.) Field's naive reading of Prof. Allen's article "Civil Disobedience and Peace Activism" (MPAC Newsletter, Dec. 1985) is irrelevant to a discussion about MPAC funding. A more careful reading would teach Fields about the role of non-violent resistance in overcoming injustice. Where would civil rights be if Rosa Parks had not defied racist laws in Montgomery, Alabama by refusing to give up

her bus seat to a white person? Was this the wanton act of a criminal as Field's logic implies? I think not.

Futhermore, all members of the group do not agree on all actions taken. Many would not participate in civil disobedience now. Perhaps what makes all of this discussion most irrelevant is that no Student Government money has been or will be used for such activities (or anything else illegal) which are totally individual decisions.

Fields goes on to make the very serious accusation that MPAC has slandered President Reagan and other political figures. I refer anyone who is swayed by these ridiculous charges to the MPAC Newsletter, where well argued political criticism supports all positions taken by MPAC members. I have not nor DO I HAVE TO SAY that "our President is a blatant murderer, terrorist and capitalist thug." (Incidentally, this quotation appears only in Field's mind, not any Newslet-

ter.) Reagan's actions: secret wars, domestic disarray and the march toward nuclear war-fighting speak for themselves. We only print and discuss what lies behind the Government's actions.

If Mr. Fields or others disagree with our views, their reaction should not be to deny MPAC money needed to publish or conduct other educational activities. Rather, they should start a viable conservative campus group, apply for Student Government funding and publish their own articles. I wouldn't give one breath attempting to stop funding on the grounds that I do not agree with THEIR views. In fact, I would welcome such lively campus debate.

MPAC makes significant contributions to student life, and its budget should be considered only on those merits.

Eric T. Olson
Department of Physics
and Astronomy

The Daily Campus Enquirer?

To the Editor:

Last week Rebecca Smith complained that students were apathetic, and she encouraged students to write in and voice their complaints.

Well, I have a real problem with this hunk of SHIT that you call a paper! Yesterday you printed and titled *Shuttle Disaster Lecture Topic*. The first sentence of the article then

stated that the future of the space program will be the topic

of the lecture. There is a slight contradiction between those sentences. As stated in the article one or the other is true.

I think that the *Daily Maine Campus* is just using the shuttle disaster title to get people to read the article. Way to be! Hey, let's take a tragic national disaster, as well as a personal one, and use it for our own gain. Why not, other, bigger national papers, t.v. news and radio news have done it repeatedly! I think it makes all those who do, sadistic asses. Is this what journalism is today? More importantly is this type of journalism appropriate for our campus paper? I think that using a tragedy to increase readership does for journalism what Jim Jones did for Kool-Aid! It's about time to leave those poor

7 astronauts alone. Their families must be damn tired of watching the shuttle blow up every month on t.v. We should use this sad event for positive things such as; changes in the space program, a sense of national unity and pride; reflections on our own mortality. These events shouldn't be used to attract readership or viewers. It's a sad statement on our society when the fashion of coldness and the worship of money override the very essence of our humanness our feelings. Our paper is supposed to be training people to be professionals, professional what?

Chris Hopper
Knox Hall

Rubber editorial bounced

To the editor:

Our turn to blush? Ms. Baldwin, have you ever seen Porky's? How about "The Summer of '42"?

If so, you've joined the 99.9 of the population who know not only that condoms exist, but what they look like, where they can be found, and approximately how to use them. Have we all fallen from grace? Probably not.

Condoms are not dirty, nor will they twist a 14-year-old's mind. Our culture has many problems — sexually transmitted diseases and teenage pregnancy are only a few of them.

But if advertising condoms on network television can help

prevent one case of AIDS or one unwanted pregnancy, then isn't it a good idea? We can't conceive (pun intended) of any way in which advertising condoms can harm anybody (with the possible exception of the condom company with the least effective advertising campaign!).

What is the desired result of condom advertisement? The company wants to persuade people to buy and use their contraceptive devices. Isn't that what we want sexually active people to do?

These ads will be subject to the same scrutiny as all other advertisements and will be regulated to make sure that their content is suitable for television.

By removing the existing taboo from condoms and other forms of birth control we will be guaranteed of their greater use. It would be nice if we could expect advertisements to teach proper use of these devices, but, advertising agencies being what they are, we cannot.

Why not work with the media and let them try to convince people who need to protect themselves to do so, and rely on existing programs to educate the public about the complexities of using a condom?

Dan Reed Grimble
York Village

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The Unstrip

To the Editor:

This letter deals with your newly "acquired" comic strip, "Screwballs". This afternoon, I picked up *The Daily Maine Campus*, and to my surprise, the above mentioned strip shows two grown men getting slapped by two women, then marching home angry, and ending up in bed stating that "Misery loves company." They were probably about to go to sleep, but I am not sure of Mr. Higgins' intent. Now, don't get me wrong, but this comic strip somehow lacks, shall I say, taste. A previous letter to *The Campus* pointed out to Mr. Higgins does not need to swear to get his point across; but pertaining to the strip run on Feb. 2,

I really don't see any point that Mr. Higgins is trying to convey.

I realize that if I don't like the strip, I don't have to read it, but this strip is not very funny; as a matter of fact, it's not funny at all. The issues dealt with by Mr. Higgins are so obscure and vague that I don't see wh the strip is run. If you want my opinion, "Zippy" was funnier than "Screwballs", and I didn't exactly love "The Zip". At least I laughed once in a while after reading "Zippy". Now, I turn away in annoyance from "Screwballs". Perhaps Mr. Higgins should remain with the editorial cartoons.

Kevin Audie
Somerset Hall

Pepsi found

To the Editor:

In regard to Mr. Rog's letter stating: "Right now if you go to a machine it's Coke products or nothing at all unless you head for nearest convenience store." Obviously Mr. Rog has not found his way around the

University of Maine campus. If he walked into Alford Arena he would find a Pepsi machine. I can't speak for Mr. Rog but I, and 11,000 people consider Alford Arena part of this campus.

Michael Krall
Cumberland Hall

WHEN WRITING

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Sports

Bears tame tempestuous warriors

by R. Kevin Dietrich
Sports Writer

It wasn't a pretty victory, but it was a victory.

The University of Maine hockey team didn't have an easy time of it Tuesday evening, but managed to grind out a 5-3 win over Division II Merrimack College before an Alford Arena crowd of 2,000.

"It's a win we'll take," Maine Coach Shawn Walsh said. "They played well against us, but I'll take the win, especially with three guys out."

The Black Bears had their hands full with the Warriors as Merrimack goaltender Jim Hrivnak, a third-round draft choice of the Washington Capitals, was superb in net.

"Hrivnak's good. We did everything we could to blow the game open, but (he) wouldn't let us," Walsh said.

For the evening, Hrivnak turned aside 29 shots, including several grade-A opportunities.

"He's quick for his size," Black Bear Dave Nonis said. "He's a good goalie."

At the other end of the ice, Al Loring and Scott King teamed up on a fine performance of their own, registering 27 saves and keeping the Warriors from making a run late in the contest.

It was the Black Bears who drew first blood, scoring a power play goal 6:54 into the opening period, on a Dave Capuano blast from the blue line.

Richard Pion tied the game up just over a minute later when he got by a pair of Maine defenders, drew Loring out and slid the puck between the Black Bear netminder's legs.

Maine went up 2-1 at the 13:38 mark when Todd Jenkins picked the puck up in front of the Warrior goal and wristed it past Hrivnak.

With just :57 seconds remaining in the first period Bob Corkum made it a 3-1 game when he took a pass from Chris Cambio, who was behind the net, and put it into the Merrimack goal.

"We knew they were a tough team, but I knew we would score if we kept getting those grade-A chances," Corkum said.

The Black Bears seemed to stumble a bit in the second period, as Merrimack held their own with Maine.

"We relaxed a bit and they pounced on us," Jay Mazur said.

Steve Santini gave the Black Bears a 4-1 lead nearly 14 minutes into the second stanza when he took a sharp pass from Todd Studnicka and flicked it over Hrivnak's glove and into the top of the net.

But Jim Vesey responded with :54 seconds left in the period when he tapped a rebound past King to make it 4-2.

"In my eyes there's no reason why they shouldn't be a Division I team," Corkum said.

The Black Bears opened the third period with their second power play goal of the night as Mike McHugh beat Hriv-

nak to his stick side with a crisp wrist shot.

Warrior Bobby Jay tallied the final goal of the evening, beating King to his glove side with a blast from just inside the blue line, 12:37 into the final period.

The two squads dueled it out in the final minutes with each receiving matching minor penalties and several fine scoring chances.

King registered at least three outstanding saves in the last six minutes.

At 14:32 Dave Vater broke into the Maine zone alone and tried to flick the puck past King. But the Black Bear goalie held his ground and stopped both Vater and Marc Vachon, who tried to stuff in the rebound.

Two minutes later, with both teams playing four-on-four, Chris Kiene got around a Maine defender and cut in on the Black Bear goal, trying to backhand the puck past King. But the shot went wide and Kiene crashed into the post.

Finally, with less than three minutes to go, King foiled the last Merrimack chance of note, rushing out of the net and ruining a Warrior breakaway opportunity.

"They (Maine) have a very good hockey team," Merrimack Coach Ron Anderson said. "They're much quicker and much stronger. Shawn (Walsh) has done a fine job."

First star honors went to Jack Capuano, who tallied three assists and had a fine game defensively.

Hrivnak was named the second star and Corkum picked the final mention for his one goal-one assist performance.

They'll be no rest for Maine as the Black Bears must now prepare for Hockey East rival Lowell University this weekend.

"We've got to skate harder and work harder in the corners," Mazur said. "We can't fall asleep against Lowell."

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H.S. sports dangerous

NEW YORK (AP) — Thirty-seven percent of the more than 1 million American teen-agers who played high school football last year were put out of action by injury at least once, according to a study issued Tuesday by a national organization of sports trainers.

Many suffered more than one injury during the season and a player was twice as likely to be hurt in practice as during a game, the study of the National Athletic Trainer's Association also found.

The study was based on a national sample of 6,500 varsity and junior varsity players at 105 high schools, and projected to the 15,500 schools in the country that field football teams, said John Powell of San Diego University, who conducted the survey.

The projection showed there were 6,000 injuries throughout the country, of which 62 percent occurred at practice.

"Only in professional football do we see the majority of injuries occurring in games — about 60 percent over the entire season," said Powell, who in addition to directing research for trainers' association is director of the National Football League's injury surveillance program.

Powell and other speakers at a news conference kept making the point that while the study was based on schools

having full-time trainers for their teams, about 90 percent of high schools have no health care professionals at practices.

"We would never think of putting a professional team out to practice without a trainer, and yet we do it all the time with kids," said Dr. Allan Levy, team physician of the Super Bowl champion New York Giants.

Levy called it imperative to have someone in a position to say no to injured youngsters who don't realize they are hurt and to coaches and aggressive parents who pressure players to get back on the field.

None of the players at the schools under study suffered catastrophic injury or death in 1986, so no projections could be made in that category. However, the study noted that other researchers have found an average of 34 paralyzing or fatal injuries directly related to interscholastic sports have occurred each year since 1982.

Seventy-five percent of the 1986 football injuries were classified as minor or of less than a week's duration, 16 percent were moderate, or lasting one to three weeks, and 9 percent were major, or more than three weeks.

The overwhelming majority of injuries were classified as strains and the general trauma of contact, meaning mostly cuts and bruises, the study said.

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by John Holyoke
Sports Writer

In this age of "win-at-all-costs" athletic programs we often see well-known institutions losing key athletes due to academic difficulties.

The next time you hear of such a case, and it makes you wonder if there is any good in a system where athletes fail to graduate from universities whose number one goal is supposed to be

educating, do not despair.

Just look at Lynne McGouldrick and the rest of the University of Maine women's basketball team to see what real student-athletics is all about.

McGouldrick, a three-year letter winner, boasts a 3.48 accumulative grade point average in her elementary education major, and serves as an academic centerpiece of sorts on a team that excels both on the court and in the

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Wednesday - February 4
Dinner with Brothers at 5pm

Thursday - February 5
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Last semester McGouldrick achieved a 3.82 gpa while juggling a 20 credit-hour courseload, sorority activities and basketball practices.

Far from bookwormish, McGouldrick is mature and articulate, and speaks about academics in the same enthusiastic way she plays basketball.

"I like to go to class, and I like to study," she said. "I love basketball, but I place a high importance on academics. My education is more important to me than basketball."

Like so many other people who participate in college athletics, McGouldrick had to make an adjustment from being a high school star to being just one of many talented college players.

She says that she played best as a freshman, and doesn't worry about being a situation substitute who is expected to add frontcourt depth.

"Everyone on the team has a role, and I know what my role is," she said.

Though on-court roles may differ from player to player, it's obvious that off the court everyone is expected to fill one role: that of a serious student.

According to coach Peter Gavett, the Black Bears have achieved a four year gpa of 2.918, highest among the 22 varsity teams at UMaine.

Add to that the fact that all of the seniors that Gavett has coached have graduated and you see that the academic success of the team isn't just a case of a few smart players boosting everyone's gpa.

Gavett doesn't hope that his players will get good grades. He expects it, and is actively involved to assure that it happens.

"I don't want any academic casualties, so I recruit smart people," he said.

"I've never given scholarship money to anyone who hasn't either been in the top 10 percent of their high school class, or had an average of 90 or higher."

Case in point is this year's prize recruit Rachel Bouchard of Farmingdale, who is currently ranked sixth in her class.

Gavett's involvement doesn't end at getting intelligent players.

Each player has an academic meeting with him once a week, where he finds out exactly how the player is faring in school.

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Come see what Greek life is really like.



On Wednesday, Feb. 3 at 7:00 the brothers of Tau Kappa Epsilon will sponsor an open rush for all undergraduate males.

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On Thursday, Feb. 4 at 7:00 TKE and Delta Zeta sorority will be having a non-alcoholic rush happy hour.

For more details or if you would like a ride, please call 581-3TKE. Ask for Kevin.

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R. Kevin Dietrich

The business of sports took a backseat recently to a bit of nostalgic romanticism as a couple of oldtimers returned home.

Reggie Jackson and Vida Blue, a pair of former all-stars and possible future Hall-of-Famers, were signed by the Oakland A's.

Forget the fact that the A's accomplished an advertising and sales coup. Forget the fact that both players are proven winners and will be of inestimable help to the youthful A's. And forget the fact that the two were signed at bargain prices.

Just seeing a couple of solid ballplayers return to the team with which they first gained prominence is notable in itself.

Reggie rose to fame in the late 1960s, shortly after Charlie Finley and the A's departed Kansas City for greener pastures on the West Coast.

In 1971 Reggie and the rest of the A's captured the American League's Western Division title and began a dynasty which would see Oakland win five consecutive division titles, three American League Pennants, and three world championships.

And on a team that included such figures as Catfish Hunter, Blue Moon Odom, Joe Rudi, Bert Campaneris, and Rollie Fingers among others, it was Reggie who was the unequivocal magnet.

In 1975 Reggie took advantage of his drawing power, charisma, and baseball's free agency system and went east. First to Baltimore for a season and then to New York for what was to be a match made in both heaven and hell.

Off the field he clashed with Yankees' owner George Stienbrenner and on the field he clashed with Yankees' manager Billy Martin. For, as the self-proclaimed "straw that stirred the drink," Reggie stepped on toes and on egos, but through it all brought New York a pair of American League Pennants and a world championship.

In 1982 free agency beckoned again and Jackson found himself in the friendly confines of Anaheim Stadium, where he would lead the Angels to a pair of division titles before being released at the end of the 1986 season.

Vida Blue's story is a bit harsher-but intriguing, nonetheless.

Blue also came up with the A's, going 24-8 as a rookie in 1971.

The following year, partially at the insistence of his mother, he held out for a bigger salary and then stumbled when he received it, going 6-10 the following season.

Later he was traded across the Bay to San Francisco and eventually wound up on the roster of the Kansas City Royals where, in 1983, he was arrested for and convicted of drug possession.

After spending some time behind bars, Blue was re-signed by the Giants and proved to be a valuable acquisition, strengthening both the Giants starting rotation and bullpen.

The two now find themselves teammates again, over a decade later.

It seems fitting that these two old warriors will finish up where they began, in Oakland.

Far too often fan favorites wind up their distinguished careers down away from home, and it's good to know that both Reggie and Vida will hear the applause of the home crowd one last time.

R. Kevin Dietrich plans to spend plenty of time in the Oakland Coliseum this summer watching the aforementioned.

Volleyers have off day

by Charlie Dyer
Sports Writer

The men's volleyball team arrived back at the University of Maine late Sunday night after dropping both of its matches to Bates College and the University of New Hampshire during weekend competition.

Jeff Lawton, the president of the volleyball club, attributed the Black Bears' defeat to opening day jitters.

"It was definitely an off day for us," he said. "The UNH competition was our first match of the season, and I guess our nerves got to us."

But the weekend venture to UNH was not without its positive aspects, Lawton said.

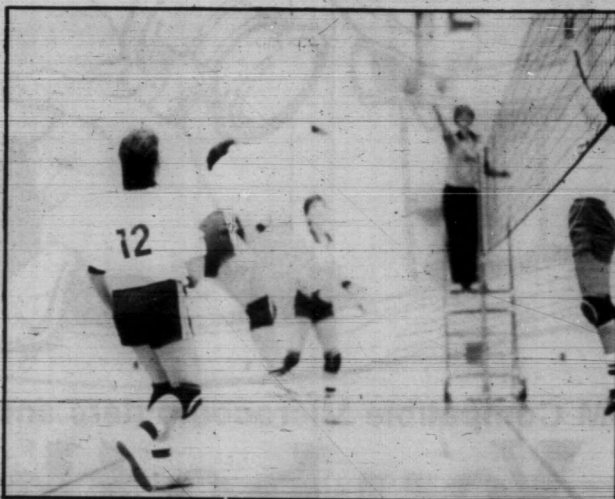
"We only have one returning starter, and the average playing experience of our players is only two years. Even with this going against us we still managed to play close games with both Bates and UNH," he said.

"I feel we can only improve from this point on."

The volleyball team will be on its home court for the next competition versus Bates and UNH on Feb. 28.

Anyone wishing to join the volleyball team at this time should contact Jeff Lawton through the Department of Recreational Sports.

"We always welcome new players," Lawton said.



(Campus photo)

Attention Students!

Student Government Elections

Wednesday, February 4th, there will be a candidates meeting in the Ham Room of the Union at 5:00 p.m. to discuss election procedures and to place the candidates names on the ballot.

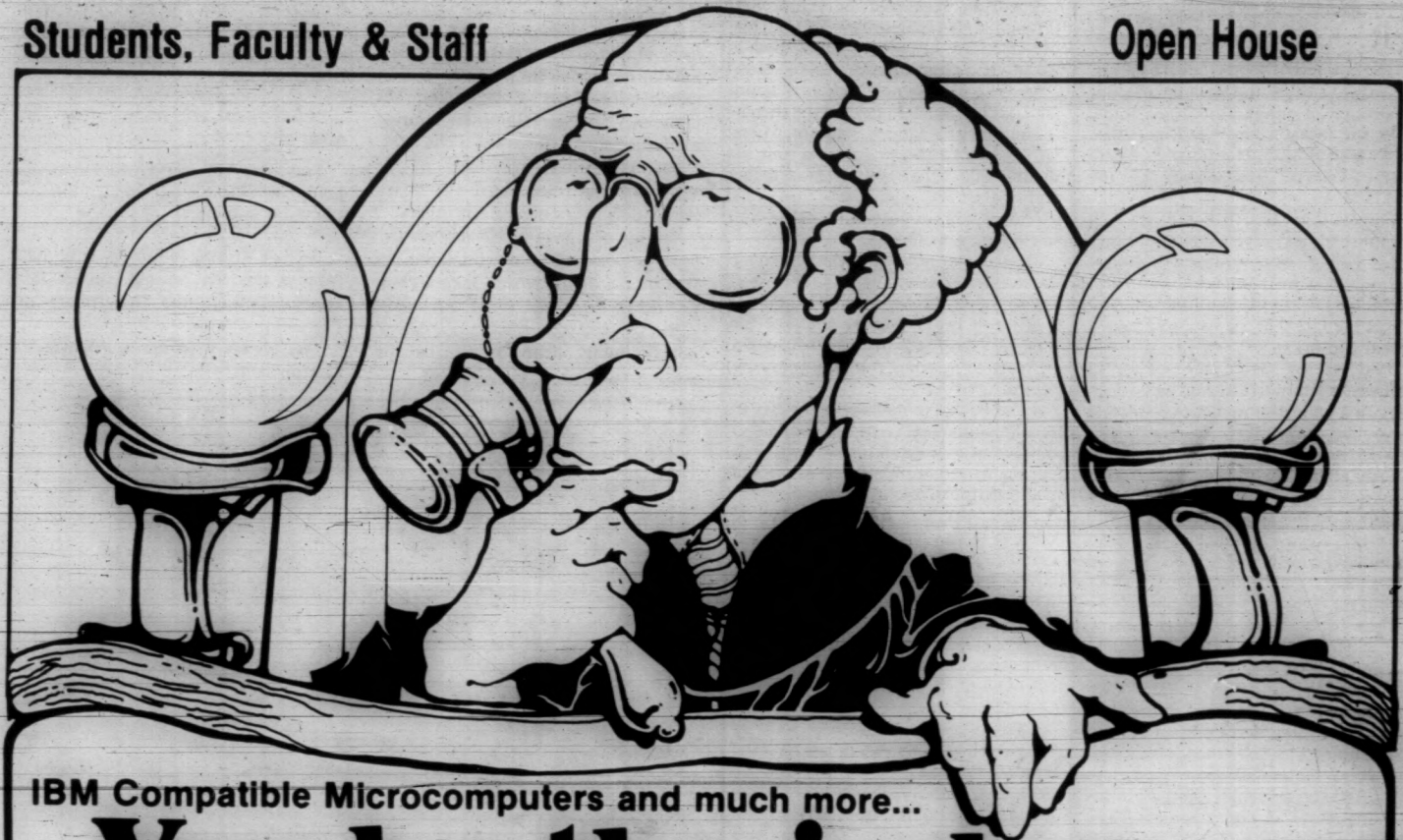
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